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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: AFRICAN TROOPS IN SHABA

REF: STATE 150529

1. IT IS CLEAR FROM OBASANJO'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND GARBA'S REMARKS TO THE CHARGE ON JUNE 15 THAT NIGERIA DISAPPROVES OF THE INTER-AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE PRESENTLY IN SHABA PROVINCE. SINCE THE PREMISES OF THE FMG ARE THUS QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THOSE OF GOVERNMENTS WHICH AGREE ON THE NEED FOR THIS FORCE, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE TO SEEK ITS ADVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING A TIMETABLE FOR THE DURATION OF THE OPERATION AND THE SUBSTITUTION OF ZAIRIAN FORCES. WE BELIEVE THE FMG IN RESPONSE TO AN INVITATION WOULD EXPRESS ITS UNWILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH CONSULTATIONS BECAUSE IT WOULD NOT WISH TO SHARE IN THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AN OPERATION OF WHICH IT DISAPPROVED.

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2. THE FMG WILL NEVERTHELESS BE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN ANY TIMETABLE FOR THE SUBSTITUTION OF ZAIRIAN FORCES AND WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE HELPFUL TO OUR OVERALL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FMG TO KEEP THE NIGERIANS FULLY INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS REGARD AS DECISIONS ARE REACHED. DISCUSSIONS OF THIS NATURE MAY ELICIT SOME REACTIONS FROM THEM BUT WE

WILL NOT APPEAR AS OBLIGATED TO TAKE FULL ACCOUNT
OF THEIR VIEWS AS IF WE WERE FORMALLY CONSULTING
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